

Introduced by Senator Murray

February 24, 2006

An act to amend Sections 82013 and 84105 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1693, as introduced, Murray. Political Reform Act of 1974: donors.

Existing provisions of the Political Reform Act of 1974 impose specified reporting requirements on committees, which the act defines to include a person or combination of persons who make contributions totaling \$10,000 or more in calendar year to, or at the behest of, candidates or committees.

This bill would revise that definition to instead include a person or combination of persons who make contributions totaling \$30,000 or more in a calendar year.

Existing provisions of the act require candidates or committees receiving \$5,000 or more from any person to inform that person that he or she may be required to file campaign reports.

This bill would increase that amount to \$15,000 or more.

The Political Reform Act of 1974, an initiative measure, provides that the Legislature may amend the act to further the act's purposes with a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote and compliance with specified procedural requirements.

This bill, which would declare that it furthers the purposes of the act, would therefore require a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 82013 of the Government Code is amended to read:

82013. (a) “Committee” means any person or combination of persons who directly or indirectly does any of the following:

~~(a)–~~

(1) Receives contributions totaling one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more in a calendar year.

~~(b)–~~

(2) Makes independent expenditures totaling one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more in a calendar year; ~~or.~~

~~(c)–~~

(3) Makes contributions totaling ~~ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)~~ *thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)* or more in a calendar year to, or at the behest of, candidates or committees.

(b) A person or combination of persons that becomes a committee shall retain its status as a committee until such time as that status is terminated pursuant to Section 84214.

SEC. 2. Section 84105 of the Government Code is amended to read:

84105. A candidate or committee which receives contributions of ~~five thousand dollars (\$5,000)~~ *fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)* or more from any person shall inform the contributor that he or she may be required to file campaign reports. The notification shall occur within two weeks of receipt of the contributions but need not be sent to any contributor who has an identification number assigned by the Secretary of State issued pursuant to Section 84101.

SEC. 3. The Legislature finds and declares that this bill furthers the purposes of the Political Reform Act of 1974 within the meaning of subdivision (a) of Section 81012 of the Government Code.